



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Robert T. Letarte, et al.

Examiner: Robert Raevis

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For: BIOAEROSOL SLIT IMPACTION SAMPLING DEVICE

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2003. This response is being accompanied by a petition for extension of time and the appropriate fee and is therefore due on or before June 4, 2003.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Specification:

Kindly amend the second full paragraph on page 8 as follows:

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The device 10 includes a space [88] 86 formed between the bottom surface 46 of the top cap 12 and the top of the adhesive media 20. The space 86 generates flow through the sampler and sets up the impaction force of the contaminants. The size of the space 86 is selected to prevent smaller particles from exiting on the sides 94, 96 without striking the adhesive media 20. The height of the space 86 is determined by the depth of the recess 40 in the base 14. As air passes through this space 86,

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